

Ashburnham Parks & Recreation

Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2012

I. Call to order

Mike Salem called to order the emergency meeting of the **Parks & Recreation Committee** at **7:15pm** on **April 3rd 2012** in Fire Department Conference room level 1.

II. Roll call

Mike Salem, Doug Carlman, Rebecca Cinclair, Gail Dumont, Cheryl Goller, Tamara Walsh

III. Update of Playgrounds

- a) 2 representatives (1 a playground inspector) of Playground Equipment Manufacturers walked both parks recently. Based on their input and findings we must decide if the parks should be closed temporarily until improvements on safety can be made.

Motion to close Sweeney Memorial Playground: Yes - Rebecca Cinclair, Gail Dumont

Motion to close Winchester Park: unanimous

- b) Mike will speak to Doug Briggs about our recommendation of closing Winchester Playground.
- c) If park is closed notification should be put on the P & R Facebook page and town website.
- d) DPW will be asked to secure and close the playground and closing will be posted.

IV. Sweeney

- a) Motion to allocate \$1500.00 for mulch: 5 yes, Gail Dumont Abstained
- d) Motion to allocate \$650.00 for swings: 5 yes, Gail Dumont Abstained

V. Winchester Playground

- a) Motion to allocate \$2700 for mulch: 5 yes, Gail Dumont Abstained
- b) Motion to allocate \$2000 for structures: 5 yes, Gail Dumont Abstained
- c) Motion to allocate \$400 or less for sand or peastone: 5 yes, Gail Dumont Abstained

VI. Adjournment

Mike Salem adjourned the meeting at **9:00pm**.

Minutes submitted by: Cheryl Goller

Minutes approved by: committee 5/3/12